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Service at 2nd Sunday, 10:30 A. M.
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THOS. TAMAREE, Sergeant-Major.
ROBT. SMITH, Adjutant.

OUR WEEKLY PEER AMID

Items of Interest Gathered From Here and There

Washing and Ironing.—I will do plain washing and ironing at lowest prices, if delivered to my home and called for when finished. MISS LINHART.

The Duckland arrived in with mail from the west coast about noon Sunday, after a very hard trip, the snow rendering navigation difficult. She left out for return, yesterday.

Pay your subscription.
Keep a strict watch out for fire.
The floating dock is still in a useless condition.
About eight inches of snow at the present writing.
George Kiss was over from Petersburg during the week.
The fire company will give their regular annual ball on Feb. 22.
Geo. Card came in from his logging camp near Petersburg, Sunday.

Look at the delinquent tax list and see if your name written there?
Sam Guyot, the traveling man, has been circulating in Wrangell for the past few days.
Jim Hurley has been in Wrangell for several days, having come up from Selkirk in the Duckland.

The electric light station has consumed all its slabwood and will be run on cordwood until the mill starts up.
The cable has been repaired where it was broken by earthquake, the Burnside having attended to the matter quite promptly.
The Chinese New Year begins tomorrow, and our old wood merchant Jinks will celebrate the occasion in true Mongolian style.

After running two nights last week the water stopped again at the electric light plant, and since that time the town has been dark.
Charley Lott and others are building a big new skiff in Al. Osborne's shop. They will install a gasoline engine in the craft when completed.

Hans Nelson has returned from Petersburg, where he went last week to complete a boat started by the late Eric Peterson. Hans did not take the job.

The many Wrangell friends of "Jack" Collins will be pleased to learn that he has been elected marshal of the City of Anacortes, Wash. You can't keep a good man down. Here, Jack, old pal, is our **BOB**, shake.

Tonight is the regular meeting night of the Wrangell Chamber of Commerce. This body has not held a meeting for a number of months, and there is an accumulation of business which should be attended to, besides some very important topics to be discussed, touching the welfare of the town. Hence the presence of all members is desired.

DELINQUENT TAX SALE

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of Section 20 of Ordinance No. 12 of the Town of Wrangell, Alaska, duly passed and approved on the 4th day of August, 1904, providing for the sale of property to satisfy assessments against the same in said town, where the taxes have become delinquent, I will, at the hour of 1 o'clock P. M., on

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1909

in front of the Patenaude barber shop in said town, offer for sale and sell at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, or bidders, for cash in hand on day of sale, the following described lots, parts of lots, buildings and other property described in this notice to satisfy the unpaid taxes on same for the year of 1908:

Callahan, Mrs. E. M., one house and lot.....	\$ 1 00
Engstrom, Adolph, one house and lot.....	2 00
Stock and fixtures.....	2 00
Gleason, James, one house and lot.....	1 00
Jim, Stikine, one house and lot.....	1 00
One house and lot.....	50
Kahote, Tom, one house and lot.....	1 00
Kulu Charley, one house and lot.....	75
Lott, Dan, one house and lot.....	1 50
Lott, Mrs., four houses and lots.....	3 00
McCauley, Dan, one house and lot.....	1 00
Moore, Fred, one house and lot.....	50
Moore, Mrs. Harry, one house and lot.....	1 00
Shakes, George, one house and lot.....	50
One house and lot.....	2 50
Shadey, May, one house and lot.....	50
Shakana, John, one house and lot.....	50
Shakana, William, one house and lot.....	50
One house and lot.....	50
Tamaree, William, one house and lot.....	5 00
Thwing, Clarence, one house and lot.....	50
Ukase, Louise, one house and lot.....	1 50
Yakamuck, one house and lot.....	75

Dated at Wrangell, Alaska, this 19th day of January, 1909.

L. C. PATENAUDE,
Treasurer and ex-officio Tax Collector of the Town of Wrangell, Alaska.
Jan 21 Feb 18.

Claire Snyder and Ken Talmage will return home as soon as the Duckland arrives at Klawak with some new electric batteries. The boys have closed down their grindstone mine for the winter.

RED HAIR TELLS TALE

The following account is copied from the Juneau Record, and may be interesting to old timers:

From the time the first white man set his foot in Alaska—the Great Land—the country has teemed with mysterious disappearances. The lone white trail, the swirling waters of its torrential streams, the Indian's scalping knife and the assassin's bullet have all claimed their victims. The discovery of a white skeleton on a mountain side, the finding of human bones in a canyon or in a deserted cabin once in awhile, clears up some old mystery. Many an aged mother in the states mourns the loss of a son who is somewhere in Alaska, and many sweethearts and wives are awaiting the return of a loved one who went to the great northland to carve out a fortune by wrestling from Dame Nature the precious hoards that she has stored in this country. All classes and conditions of men look to Alaska as the mecca where a fortune may be gained or a lost one retrieved, or come to this country to seek in her vast solitudes forgetfulness of some unfortunate affair that happened in earlier life. The Alaskan frontier draws all these to her bosom and it has been so since America was first settled by dissatisfied and progressive Europeans. One of the mysterious disappearances that has cost relatives and lawyers in the east much labor, time and money apparently is now about cleared up in this country.

Nearly forty years ago a young man, born with all the riches of an old family, had a disagreement with his relatives and struck out for the great west. From the day he left home no word was received from him. In course of time he became the heir of a large estate, and strenuous efforts were made to locate him or have absolute proof of his death. He was traced from the gold fields of California to Alder Gulch in Montana, from there to the Fraser river in British Columbia, on through the Caribon and then to the Cassiar diggings. Always he was following the rush and stampede of prospectors who were then going further north in quest of gold. After diligent inquiry among old timers in the Cassiar, it was learned that thirty years ago he left that country with a large party for Alaska, still being led on by the lure of gold.

The young man, his name was MacDonald, was described as a powerfully built descendant of the Scotch race, one of his striking physical features being a heavy shock of red hair. This party of prospectors was traced to Murder Cove in Southeastern Alaska, and, as is well known, the Indians set upon them and murdered the entire party in order to obtain possession of the outfit of the white men. The case has been almost forgotten. The other day a resident of this part of the country was at Hoonah, and hearing that the natives had a tradition that one of the most valued relics of the tribe was a red haired scalp, he quietly investigated the matter and tried to authenticate the report. After considerable trouble and creation of a great deal of suspicion, which he had to overcome, he was taken to a native house and was horrified when shown the scalp of a white man, who in life, like old time prospectors, wore the hair long. The hair was red.

The Alaskan, in speaking of the matter, says that the scalp was in a perfect state of preservation. It had been removed from the head with the ears attached. For many years the natives have been in the habit of using the scalp for a face mask in their secret ceremonial dances. Being familiar with the story of the search for MacDonald, and dovetailing into it fact told him by the natives about how they became possessed of it, the white man had no hesitancy in coming to the conclusion that the scalp was that of the long sought for Scotchman. He was the only red-headed man in the unfortunate party that left Cassiar for this part of Alaska thirty years ago.

No inducement he could make the natives would cause them to part with the scalp, which is now looked upon as an heirloom, and its possession by the family regarded as a token of good luck. Being connected with the government service the gentleman who discovered the scalp does not want his name published, as it would cause trouble between himself and the Indians if they knew he had divulged the secret of the scalp of the red-headed man the Hoonah natives have had so many years.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Wm. Cook died at her home in Wrangell, Alaska, shortly after noon on Saturday, January 16, 1909, after an attack of pneumonia which lasted about three weeks.

Ellen Goddard was born in Brighton, England, in 1843, came to America in 1872, and in the same year was married to William Cook, at Rockford, Iowa. She was not possessed of a rugged constitution, having been compelled to leave

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Iowa and come to the Pacific Coast a number of years ago for the benefit of her health, and being quite well along in years, the good lady was unable to withstand an attack of pneumonia that would have resulted disastrously in a much younger and stronger person. Deceased was highly esteemed by all who knew her as a gentle, kind soul, always ready to offer help in affliction, and never permitting her left hand to know what the right was doing. She was a faithful, loving wife, and a kind and willing helpmate to the husband who is left to mourn her loss, and to whom the sympathy of this entire community goes out at this time.

The funeral ceremony was conducted Sunday at Red Men's Hall, under the auspices of that Order, interment being in Red Men's cemetery.

RESOLUTIONS OF SYMPATHY

HALL OF STIKINE TRIBE No. 5,
Imp'd. O. R. M.
Wrangell, Alaska, January 18, 1909.
Whereas, the Great Chief of the Universe, in His Infinite wisdom, has seen fit to remove by death the beloved wife of our fellow member Senior Sagamore William Cook, and by such removal has brought upon our Brother a grief that is hard to bear; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of Stikine Tribe No. 5, feel deeply the loss sustained by their Brother, and extend to him their sincere and heartfelt sympathies in this time of sore affliction.
Resolved, That this expression be spread upon our records; that it be published in the ALASKA SENTINEL, and that a copy be presented to the bereaved Chief and Brother.

OLE JOHNSON,
Sagamore.

Attest:
A. V. R. SNYDER,
Chief of Records.

CARD OF THANKS

To all my kind friends, neighbors, fellow citizens, and Brother Red Men, who so generously assisted me during the late illness, death and burial of my beloved wife, I desire to hereby express my heartfelt thanks. Wm. COOK.

LOTS OF BUSINESS

A rousing meeting of Alert Fire Co. No. 1 was held last Wednesday evening, and as there were no lights in the council chamber, the meeting was held in the Wrangell Hotel office, which was kindly offered for the occasion by Landlord Grant.

This being the regular meeting for the election of officers, the following were chosen for the ensuing term: John G. Grant, pres.; P. C. McCormack, vice pres.; Leo McCormack, secy.; J. G. Grant, treas.; Ole Johnson, foreman; John Hagstrom, 1st asst.; F. Goodrich, 2nd asst.

The meeting was the largest held in the past three years, and everyone present seemed imbued with the proper enthusiastic spirit. Two new members were added to the company's rolls.

During the course of the meeting a lively discussion took place as to the best and most effective method of combatting fire. It was explained that the fire chief, (Oscar Carlson) having been appointed by the council, is supreme in authority at a fire, and that in fighting fire not only members of the fire company, but civilians as well, are subject to his orders. For instance: No person has authority to use an ax or other implement for removing shingles or boards from a burning building without first

appealing to the chief, or receiving his order or command to do so. And if the chief orders any person to desist from so doing, he has authority to enforce that command by any means which he sees fit to employ.

The fire company is the most important organization of the town, and all men should become members and attend the meetings to learn how best to fight fire.

A committee was appointed to make the arrangements for the firemen's ball, which is to be given on the night of Feb. 22; and the meeting adjourned.

S. L. Hogue came over from Petersburg in his gas boat, Monday. John Olsen accompanied him.

Mr. Hunsaker, who has been on the west coast for the past several months, came over in the Duckland.

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Wrangel, Alaska

We believe it is about time for the formation of an anti-gun-carrying party.

Let the pickle trust also be dealt with as it deserves. It cucumbers the ground.

The millionaire who marries his stenographer never gets any sympathy from the haters of wealth.

An American has been asked to aid the Chinese mint to make metal money. To help the Chinks chink, as it were.

Mrs. Howard Gould says her husband tried to starve her by cutting her allowance to \$50,000 a year. Ever hear of such cruelty?

"Emma Goldman announces that she is a follower of Satan." And there are times when she seems to be stepping on his heels.

One New York newspaper learns that Mr. Roosevelt will receive \$30,000 a year as assistant editor of The Outlook. That isn't such a bad outlook.

The number of persons that can be crowded into an elevator depends largely on the number of Merry Widow hats that are worn by the passengers.

Apparently there are a lot of German people who impudently cling to the theory that Emperor William is mistaken in his belief that he is the state.

Ohio, according to Professor Starr, is the father of baseball as well as the mother of presidents. Anthropology always did impress us as a complex study.

We look forward with keen relish to the time when Editor Roosevelt and Marne Henry Watterson unlimber their vocabularies and start something across the chasm that separates the sanctuaries.

The Princess de Sagan, formerly Anna Gould, is causing alarm among her friends in Paris because she has developed a fondness for the insides of old watches. It may be that she has taken to them in lieu of snails.

It is much to be proud of that on the occasion of the visit of the fleet to Japan not only did the thousands of sailors who were given shore liberty conduct themselves well, but when Admiral Sperry sailed away there was not a single deserter.

Mr. Baer of the coal trust casually announces that there is no reason why the price of coal should be reduced as long as the people can pay the rates he demands. Mr. Baer's philosophy, summed up in a few words, is: "While there's blood to be sucked, suck it."

The double veil has made its appearance in fashionable society, and men are complaining that they cannot recognize their women friends. It is something of an odd coincidence that just as the women of semi-civilized Turkey are rejoicing in flinging off their concealing veils as disadvantages the highly civilized women of the West are adopting them.

The old-fashioned covered wooden bridge across the Connecticut river at Hartford has been replaced by a beautiful granite structure described as the largest stone bridge in the world. Both the Carlisle bridge across the Moldau at Prague and the Waterloo bridge over the Thames at London are longer, but they do not approach the eighty-two-foot width of the Hartford structure. Whatever may be said of the advantage of iron or steel bridges, they do not produce the restful impression of strength and permanence which is one of the great attractions of a stone bridge.

It would seem that there has been hardly any stronger argument adduced in favor of postal savings banks than these figures, showing how much money is sent abroad by alien laborers on this continent: Last year over \$17,000,000 went to Austria-Hungary, and nearly \$10,000,000 to Russia, in postal orders. That money was all earned here, and, of course, the men who earned it had a right to do what they chose with it; but it does seem a shame that the American people, who paid this money in wages, should be deprived of the benefit that would accrue from its being deposited in American banks. Undoubtedly the question will come up before this session of Congress, and such has been popular education and argument on the subject that it seems more than likely that the necessary legislation will be enacted.

The highest court of the State of New York has decided that no advertising concern may employ one's portrait for purposes of advertising breakfast foods, patent medicines, tooth powders, or for any other wares except with full and free consent. The ruling is of the utmost importance. It is a declaration from the loftiest fount of justice that a person's face is his own, that nobody may feloniously, maliciously or otherwise employ your countenance, handsome or plain, your figure, stout or slim, with intent to boost some article with which perhaps you have only an intestinal acquaintance. It is every maker of pills, or packer of saw-

dust, is to use your illness as he sees fit, then what is the use of having an individual face? Any old mug would do, that of your homely neighbor, as well as any. The New York courts are an eminently sensible body.

In France and in Germany there is much talk of the growth of "an intellectual proletariat," of the oversupply of college graduates and professional men, and the consequent inability of many of these to earn even a modest livelihood. There are those in the countries named who seriously hold that the world is suffering from "too much education," and that not a few colleges and professional schools might well be closed and agricultural and industrial schools substituted for them. The United States is still the land of opportunity, and while the average man in any profession advises young people to choose some other calling, and while it is notorious that many lawyers, physicians and engineers earn less than a skilled mechanic, we are in no immediate danger of an intellectual proletariat. Yet even with us the question of the relation of ability and education to income is a very interesting one. An anonymous writer for the Atlantic gives the results of a little investigation that he undertook some years ago to determine the chances of pecuniary success, in professional life, of men of exceptional gifts and attainments. He took the 10 per cent who twenty years ago stood highest at graduation of a large class of a leading university. He divided them into groups and obtained accurate information concerning their average incomes since. The first group consisted of professors—heads and first assistants—and though all the members of this group are well known to-day and have done good work as teachers and authors the average salary is but \$2,700 and the average amount earned outside (by writing) is but \$200. The second group, consisting of lawyers and doctors mainly, shows an average annual income per member of \$6,000. No one reported less than \$3,500. The third group is miscellaneous, and consists of clergymen, men who were obliged to abandon their first callings and make fresh starts, and men whose careers have suffered interruption. The average salary in this group is \$5,300. These incomes, beside those derived from business, are declared to be rather small. So they are, and for many of the married men in these groups they spell "the simple life" and much self-denial. But it has long been a commonplace that few men acquire riches in the professions, and that the rewards of ability in the liberal callings generally assume other than financial forms.

A POET AFLOAT.

Joseph Fletcher, a fisherman of Lowestoft, England, was one of the close friends of Edward Fitzgerald, the translator of the Persian poet, Omar. But the pair were not so ill assorted as might seem, for although the sailor was no poet, the poet was a pretty good sailor, as an adventure incorporated by James Blyth in his recent book, "Edward Fitzgerald and 'Posh,'" clearly shows. "Posh," it may be added, was Fitzgerald's name for Fletcher.

"The governor"—it is the old long-shoreman speaking of the poet to Mr. Blyth—"always went to sea in a silk hat, a size or two overlarge and worn at an unusual angle, and he generally wore a cross-over or a lady's bonnet round his neck. But he was no coddle for all that."

"One day the Scandal, the governor's yacht, was lying at the wharf ready to get under way, and a fresh 'o' wind was blowing. The governor was a-reading of a letter as had just been brought down by the post.

"'Posh,' he says, 'here's a letter with some money I never expected to get,' he says. 'That's a good job.' Just then the boom come over, wallow, and caught him fair on the side of his head, and knocked him over into the harbor."

"He was a-wearing of his topper, as usual, and all of a sudden up he came again, just as Jack and me was reaching over after him. His topper came up easy like, as though 'twas a life-buoy, if I may say so, and underneath it came the fur bon, and then the governor. And, as true as I sit here, he was still a-holding that letter out in front of him in both hands."

"Well, I couldn't help it. I burst out a-laughing, and so did Jack and all, and then we reached down, copped hold of him, and hoisted him aboard all right and tight, but as wet as a soused herring."

"He come up a-laughing, pleased as Punch, and gave orders to cast off and get up head sail at once. And would you believe me, he wouldn't go below to shift after we got right out to Cortou Light!"

Paradoxical.

Military Officer—Have you any positive results from your visits to the enemy's forts?

Secret Agent—Yes, colonel. I have some decisive negatives.—Baltimore American.

What He Watches.

"Is he a keen observer?"

"Only of one thing."

"And what is that?"

"The clock."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Editorials

Opinions of Great Papers on Important Subjects.

CONVERTED BY MEDICINE.

A WOMAN missionary, who was also a doctor, had a curious experience in Burmah, where, upon her arrival, she found a village community dying off like flies with cholera. She made a house-to-house inspection, administered a specific, and, having broken the back of the malady, left behind several bottles of the medicine to be used during her absence. Upon her return the headman cheered her heart by the greeting: "Teacher, we have come over to your side; the medicine did us so much good that we have accepted your God." He led her to his house and into the apartment sacred to his worship. There, arrayed upon the shelf, were the medicine bottles, and he, with all his household, instantly bowed down and prayed to them with thankful and contrite hearts.—Dundee Advertiser.

LEPERS.

THE victims of leprosy are now the only physical defectives who are treated still as they were in medieval times. They inspire an almost superstitious terror in the clean of flesh. More scientific study is required and a more humane method of dealing with the sufferers. There can be no doubt that leprosy is much commoner than is generally supposed, for its period of incubation is unusually long, and it often fails to announce itself definitely for years. Until adequate provision is made for the victims, however, they will continue to spread the plague among their neighbors. State governments have been slow to make the necessary provisions for their comfort. The Federal authorities would seem to be in a better position to deal with the situation.—Chicago Record-Herald.

MOVING DAY IN CAIRO.

ONE of the strangest sights of Cairo streets is a household moving. There are no vans for the purpose. When a family wishes to move the head of the house contracts with a native mover, and on the day appointed this man, with his assistants, sometimes as many as thirty or forty, appears on the scene. One takes a chair and starts off, another seizes a sofa, five or six or even ten or twelve men get under a piano and march along, and one by one the others follow, each one bearing some piece of household goods. The things are put in place as they reach the new house, and in a few hours the moving has been accomplished and everything is shipshape. The human vans seldom walk, unless their load is unusually heavy. A man with a sofa or with four or five chairs piled on

his back will keep up a continuous jog trot for hours without appearing to tire.—Leslie's Weekly.

RECLAMATIONS FROM LAND THIEVES.

THE recovery by the government within three years of 1,291,939 acres of land in Nebraska from the clutches of land grabbers is a gratifying achievement, and demonstrates that it is well worth while to try to enforce the law. That splendid area will afford homesteads for a multitude of honest settlers and pay a considerable return to the government, instead of enriching unprincipled grafters. And there are probably millions of acres more elsewhere which may be reclaimed in the same way.—New York Tribune.

NEVERMORE!

IN many ways a return of our womankind to the sweet-mannered customs of the Dickens period would be a sheer delight, but, alas! what with the growth of female suffrage and the general emancipation of women—as they call it—we fear that the girls of this age could never be induced, in spite of Dolly Varden petticoats and Dame Durden bonnets, to yield the palm of superiority to man. Never again, perhaps, shall we men be allowed to arrogate to ourselves the title of "lord and master."—Washington (D. C.) Herald.

"PEOPLE, PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY."

IEEP off the grass" signs have been entirely abolished in the progressive cities. It is held that the trivial damage done by the throngs who walk on the grass on Sundays and holidays is more than compensated for by the pleasure bestowed in the knowledge that everything in the public property is free and open to all. The only admonition to the public which still finds favor is the terse sign used in Glasgow, Scotland: "People, protect your property." This reminder is said to operate more effectively than any of the old prohibitions.—Kansas City Journal.

OBEY WHAT LAWS WE HAVE.

FAR more than we need new laws we need to obey the laws we have. We need a great revival of obedience to and respect for law, and that feeling is not encouraged by enacting so many statutes that even lawyers no longer pretend to know the law until they look it up.—Brooklyn Eagle.

MISS PECK GREAT PEAK SCALER.

The height of Mont Blanc is 15,782 feet and the cost of an ascent is between \$50 and \$90.

STUDENTS CATCH RATTLERS.

Recent Achievement Places American Woman at Top of Class.
Miss Anna Peck's recent achievement in scaling the almost insurmountable Mount Hucsonian peak in South America places that American woman in the same rank as Sir Martin Conway, Edward Whymper and other celebrities known to the world of mountain climb-

Spent their Vacation Collecting Snake Venom.

Two students of the Medico-Chirurgical college, Philadelphia, put in their vacation this summer hunting rattles-

snakes and copperheads in the mountains, near Emmitsburg, says the Baltimore Sun. They captured a number of large reptiles, from which they obtained about \$1,500 worth of venom, which will be shipped to the Pathological Institute in Paris.

They enjoyed their outing in the mountains. A number of times they had exciting adventures, but managed to escape mishap. They carried an antidote for rattlesnake bites, but did not have occasion to use it.

In catching the snakes they used two sticks of moderate thickness. One had a Y fork end, while the other had a silk line running through guides, ending in a loop. The snake was usually found in a coil ready to strike, but before striking the silk loop was dropped over his head and tightened. The reptile was then lifted into a bag. At the end of each day's hunt the venom was extracted.

BROADWAY'S ONE LITTLE LAWN.

Precious Plot at Forty-second Street, Worth \$65,000 a Square Foot.

There is only one patch of lawn along the whole length of New York's Great White Way, and it is more than probable that not one in a hundred of those who pass it daily has ever noticed it. I dropped into the Astor the other day shortly after noon and found an animated conversation on among a half dozen well known women of the stage who had got their chairs together in the lobby. It looked for all the world like a sewing circle and sounded just like one.

"Is it dannel underclothes for the heathen or some errant sister making goo-goo eyes at the new minister?" I inquired as I stopped at the chair of one of them.

"Neither, and this isn't a church social," was the reply. "We are simply talking something of no interest to any mere man. We are talking fash-

"Why don't you get out on the lawn?" I asked.

"The lawn?" they all echoed in surprise. Not one of them had ever noticed it.

I coaxed them outside. There it is on either side of the main entrance a little plot about 19 by 20 feet. After great expense and several years of effort the manager succeeded in evolving the only lawn on the White Way. And maybe he isn't proud of it! Why, if any profane foot would dare to press those tiny blades of grass there'd be a hurry call for the reserves. It is the only one and there will probably never be another. That lawn is the highest priced one in the world. It is worth something like \$65,000 per square foot.—New York Telegraph.

Inconsistency.

"Pa, what is the meaning of inconsistency?" asked Freddy.

"Inconsistency, my son," exclaimed pa, "means a man who kicks all day and then goes home and growls the dog for barking at night."—Human Life.

SHEEP NONSENSE

A woman and her opinions are soon parted.

Wigg—I have a noiseless typewriter. Wagg—Is she a deaf-mute?—Philadelphia Record.

"What ails me, doc?" asked the general clubman. "You need a job. You're suffering from overrest."—New York Sun.

Mrs. Benham—How much did you pay the minister when we were married? Benham—He fined me five dollars.—Harper's Weekly.

Teacher—Now, children, what is the greatest enemy of poultry? Silence. Teacher—Who eats the most poultry? Pupils—The minister!—Jugend (Munich).

The Lady—Little boy, don't you know smoking will shorten your life? The Kid—Shucks! Wot do I care? I've seen everyt'ing dere is.—Boston Traveller.

Pat—I hear yer wolfe is sick, Molke. Mike—She is thot. Pat—Is it dangerous she is? Mike—Divil a bit. She's too weak to be dangerous any more!—Brooklyn Life.

Facetious Friend (teasingly)—Well, which rules—You or your wife? Mr. Youngwed (with hauteur)—You forget we can afford to keep a cook.—Baltimore American.

Stella—So your father handled him without gloves? Bella—Yes, and it would have been better for poor dear George if he had done it without shoes.—New York Sun.

"The telephone is certainly a great invention. Think of it! You can talk to your wife fifty miles away." "That may be your experience. All I've been able to do is to listen."

"Have you," asked the judge of a recently convicted man, "anything to offer the court before sentence is passed?" "No, your honor," replied the prisoner, "my lawyer took my last dollar."

"I saw the major's wife at her window early this morning. She looked 40 years old." "You must be mistaken, your highness; no woman is as old as she looks in the morning."—Fleegende Blaetter.

"Why are you so vexed, Irma?" "I am so exasperated! I attended the meeting of the Social Equality League, and my parlor maid presided and had the audacity to call me to order three times."—Fleegende Blaetter.

Mulligan—The byes say ye looked poor Casey. Shure, he never hurt tny man's feelin's. Harrigan—He's a snake in the grass. The blackguard referred to me as his contemporary, and I'll be the contemporary to no man livin'!—Puck.

"Before we were married," said Mrs. Chatterton, "you used to tell me how much you loved me, but you never do now." "Of course not, my dear," replied the masculine partner. "Since our marriage you haven't given me a chance to tell you anything."

Said a poet to an unfortunate speculator: "Don't you think that the opening lines of Tennyson's little poem, 'Break, break, break,' are plaintive and sad?" "Yes," was the melancholy reply. But I think that 'Broke, broke, broke,' is a good deal sadder."

"William," she said, "means good. James means beloved. I wonder" a flush mantled her cheek. "I wonder she softly murmured, "what George means?" "George means business, I hope," said mother, looking up from the wedding announcements in the paper.

Anxious Mother—Nellie, dear, do you think that young Huggins, who has been calling on you twice a week for some time, is matrimonially inclined? Pretty Daughter—Really, I don't know what to think, mamma, dear. He has such a knack of keeping one in the dark!

Old Acquaintance—Why, old chap, a few years ago you were the best dressed man in town, but now your outfit is pretty shabby. Had a reverse? Companion—Well, you may call it that. The truth is, I got married since, and now it's my wife that's the best dressed woman in town.

Young Wife—To-morrow will be my birthday, dear. Young Husband—You'll be twenty-one? Young Wife—No; twenty-five. Young Husband—Why, a year ago, just before our wedding, you told me you were only twenty. Young Wife—Yes, but I have aged rapidly since our marriage.

"My friends," said an itinerant preacher, "the Scriptural rule for giving was one-tenth of what a man possessed. If you feel you can't afford so much, just give a sixth, or a fourth, according to your means. We will dispense with the next hymn and take up the collection."—Lippincott's.

Willie—And so you quarreled? Charlie—Yes; she sent back all my presents. And what do you suppose I did? Willie—Can't guess. Charlie—I sent her a half dozen boxes of face powder, with a note explaining that I'd taken about that much home on my coat since I'd known her.—The Gossip.

What has become of the old-fashioned woman who had her photograph taken with one hand holding a half-opened book?

CURIOUS HOTEL CUSTOMS.

Cuss Words a Penny Each at an Edinburgh Hotel.

A curious custom prevails at an Edinburgh hotel. Whenever a customer is heard to swear he is required to place a penny in a box on the bar counter. It is not a matter for surprise, says Tit-Bits, that the landlord hears much less bad language than some of his fellow publicans in the capital of Scotland.

The following is a quaint idea for providing funds for picnics and social evenings. It is carried on with much success at an Ashton-on-Mersey inn: A "knocking club" is connected with the inn, and when a customer calls for refreshment he is expected to knock on the table or counter before drinking. If he fails to do this he is fined one penny. Anyone who wrongfully accuses another of breaking this unique rule is also fined. The money thus obtained provides funds for many enjoyable outings and pleasant evenings during the course of the year.

At another hotel, known as the Old Hundred, customers are allowed only one drink. If one is not sufficient to quench their thirst, they are obliged to go out of the hotel and take a walk before they are allowed to have another. Till recently the proprietor of an old-time hotel in Warwickshire used to invite all his customers to accompany him and his wife to the service at the parish church on Sunday mornings, which was situated on the opposite side of the road, the house being closed while they were away. On returning, each customer was invited to partake of refreshments offered by the hospitable landlord free of charge.

Visitors to a certain hotel in Aberdeenshire who wear brown boots must remember to keep them in their room overnight. Otherwise the boots will be blacked, regardless of the original color of the same. In one of the rooms of a Dumfries public house is an old armchair which is said to have been frequently used by the poet Burns. All who sit in this chair are expected to treat everyone who is in the room at the time, and often the immortal memory of the famous Scottish national poet is drunk.

A small hotel in Wales until quite recently was used by the Catholics as a place of worship on Sundays, and the police court proceedings were held on the premises during the week.

QUEER STORIES

There are 77,000,000 bricks in the famous Severn tunnel.

Liverpool makes nearly \$500,000 a year by municipal trading.

There are more women members of clubs in New York city than in any two other cities in the world.

The Hong-Kong harbor has a water area of ten miles, and is regarded as one of the finest in the world.

A Colorado currant bush will produce at least one gallon of fruit. Some plants will yield ten times this amount.

New York's death rate is less than it was one year ago, about in the proportion of 1,219 a week, as against 1,343.

Senator Knox, of Pennsylvania, refuses to have a telephone in his home, saying it causes more bother than anything else in life.

The latest species of professional beggar in New York city asks for a nickel with which to pay his fare to the nearest hospital.

Some of the finest French tapestry is manufactured so slowly that an artist can not produce more than a quarter of a square yard in a year.

The German Baptist brethren have organizations in forty-one of the States, with 1,154 churches, an increase of fifty-eight over the last report.

The Australian regulation for imports deal very strictly with patent medicines, the labels of which make extravagant claims as to their curative properties.

Shizuoka prefecture, Japan, is to have a \$10,000,000 hydro-electric company, and a large paper material company—the latter being engaged in surveying the forests there for felling timber.

It is stated that the building of a large new electric power station in Lapland is shortly to be taken in hand. Either the Norr or Soderland falls will be used, and it is proposed to erect the power station close to the Braunland railway station and within about ten miles of the sea. The power available is estimated at 88,000 horsepower.

The Real Sequence.

Mrs. Premiere—You always get a new gown before you go away on a visit, don't you? Mrs. Seconde—No. I always go away on a visit after I get a new gown.—Woman's Home Companion.

Waist-Line Woes.

When you would put your dexter fin around a girl, it is a sin, A crying shame, To get, I claim, All lacerated by a pin. —The Gossip.

Men are something like school girls. If a school girl gets a letter from away off, she will carry it in her books to school, and use it as a book mark. It gives her an air of importance with her schoolmates. A man will carry a telegram around with him until it is worn threadbare, for the same reason.

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THE NAUGHTY GOAT.

Although our grandfathers and perhaps their grandfathers before them, were amused by trained animals of one kind or another, it is only recently that goats have been "educated" for exhibition purposes. Horses, dogs, lions and monkeys have been performing their tricks in public for at least a couple of centuries, but the trained goat, says a successful modern trainer, is a present day product. He is not hard to train, but is often difficult to manage in front of an audience.

As in the case of all trained animals the feats that look so remarkable on the stage are really things that a goat does naturally in a different environment. The same balancing power that enables a goat to stand on a sharp-pointed rock enables it to stand on the top of a bottle, and the same agility that helps it to leap from one rock to another helps it to leap through a paper-covered hoop or over rows of chairs. The trainer patiently teaches a goat to balance, jump, stand on its hind legs, and so forth, at certain definite signals, rewards it with a lump of sugar when it is obedient, and whips it when it is obstinate. The result, after a long period of patient labor, is a goat that can be expected to do tricks in public provided the trainer can keep control of it.

But what makes the goat hard to manage in public is something that seems like a sense of humor combined with remarkable intelligence.

The goat learns that its trainer does not like to whip it at any time, because a trained goat is too valuable to be mistreated. But more than that, it discovers that the trainer will not whip a goat in public. The audience would invariably side with the goat. So the moment the goat gets in front of the audience it is likely to turn disobedient. Feats performed readily enough at rehearsal it will try to dodge during the performance, and instead of staying quietly in its place when not performing, it will now and then plague the trainer by trying to run away from the stage and get back to the stable.

There are often minor changes in the performance of a troupe of trained goats that are quite unsuspected by the audience.

Sometimes a goat gets so unmanageable that the trainer has to enlist the sympathy of the spectators by explaining matters. There was a trained goat once that became day by day more and more unreliable, until there came a performance when the educated animal refused to do anything whatever. The trainer was in despair, and the goat apparently laughing at him. The goat had to be disciplined. The man knew it must be disciplined there and then, or it would become utterly worthless, and the training would have to begin all over again. He turned to the audience.

"Ladies and gentlemen," he said, "here I've got a very bad goat. I don't want to punish him. You don't want me to punish him, and he knows it. Goats are like children. If they're not punished just when they misbehave it's no use punishing them afterwards. With your permission, I'm going to give this fellow one good touch of the whip and make a well behaved goat of him."

He held up a hoop for the goat to jump through. The goat merely looked at it and then at the audience. The trainer swung his whip and the lash curled sharply round the goat's hind quarters. With an expression of surprise and disgust the animal jumped through the hoop.

"Thank you, ladies and gentlemen," said the trainer. "Now that goat'll believe that an audience is always on my side and I shall not have any more trouble with him."—Youth's Companion.

Long Men Wanted.

The records in the war department in Washington are as a rule very dry, but occasionally an entry is found that is humorous.

An officer of engineers in charge of the construction of a road that was to be built through a swamp, being energetic himself and used to surmounting obstacles, was surprised when one of his young lieutenants whom he had ordered to take twenty men and enter the swamp said that he could not do it—the mud was too deep. The colonel ordered him to try. He did so and returned with his men covered with mud.

"Colonel, the mud is over my men's heads. I can't do it."

The colonel insisted and told him to make a requisition for anything that was necessary for a safe passage. The lieutenant made his requisition in writing and on the spot. It was as follows:

"I want twenty men eighteen feet long to cross a swamp fifteen feet deep."—Harper's Weekly.

Irish Economy.

"Begorra," said Patsy, "OI couldn't pay me five shillin's foine and OI had to go to jail for six days."

"An' how much did yez spend to get drunk?" asked Mike, rather sarcastically.

"Oh, about five shillin's."

"Yez fool, if yez had not spent yez five shillin's for drink yez'd had yer five shillin's to pay yer foine wid."—Everybody's.

In Coolidge, a pastor is talking of putting a slot machine in his church, so that members may occasionally get credit for a dime when they get to

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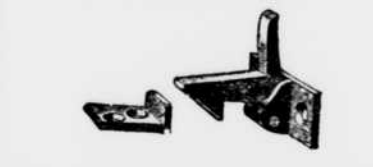
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INFLUENCE OF A BAD WATCH.

Peccant Psychological Idea Over Which One Rich Man Is Studying.

Does the theory that one person influences, subconsciously, other persons extend to inanimate objects and subjects, and will a watch of irregular habits influence the character of the person wearing it and contaminate that person? Is the psychological idea over which M. W. Mather, millionaire, is studying, according to the San Francisco Call.

Mather owns a silver watch that he found somewhere and retained, although of practically no value; perhaps it cost \$10. Mather also has to employ a bookkeeper to keep track of his income—that is, he has had several bookkeepers, but not at the same time. Each bookkeeper has come well recommended and possessed of exemplary habits. When the first bookkeeper who figures in this story took the position he had no watch, so Mather loaned him the silver watch that had been lying in the safe.

The watch had distinctly bad habits—it would not keep track of the time correctly. Pretty soon Mather began to hear reports about his bookkeeper which, while entertaining, were not edifying. If such a thing were possible, he was outdoing the watch in irregularity, and consequently was allowed to resign, and another man was given the place.

The newcomer was a man of great promise and as a mark of his confidence Mather allowed him to carry the watch. One day this bookkeeper failed to appear on the scene and an examination of his accounts gave a key to the reason. The investigation that followed proved that he had been sowing a large and fruitful crop of wild cereals. Then came bookkeeper No. 3 and in his case it was the same story as with No. 1 and No. 2 and he had to go.

"I have another bookkeeper," said Mather yesterday, "but the watch is where he cannot possibly get it and so long as he is in my employ he is not going to get it. I imagine that some time in its past the watch belonged to a wild, ungovernable individual who imparted his character and his power for evil to the timepiece."

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Those thieves who stole 550,000 1-cent stamps from the South Bend postoffice are probably souvenir post card fenders.

SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY

The diseases to which the silkworm is liable number 100.

Living in London is 40 per cent cheaper than in the large cities of the United States.

Out of every million letters that pass through the post office it is calculated that only one goes astray.

The cow tree of Venezuela is a natural dairy. Its sap is very similar to milk and is used as such by the natives.

The transient hotel population of New York is figured at 250,000 people a day. The hotel properties are valued at over \$80,000,000.

There is a great demand in China for lead. It is used in several Chinese manufactures, but chiefly for lining tea chests for export.

Caleb Watts, of Lily Pad, Pa., who raises frogs for the market, gets the best results by feeding them on liver, corn meal and flies.

Great Britain imports over \$35,000,000 worth of eggs a year from Russia, Denmark, Germany, Belgium, Canada and the United States.

Mrs. A. B. Enright, of East Concord, Vt., is county supervisor of schools and said to be one of the busiest women in the State. Besides her school work she performs all the duties that fall to the lot of the wife of a Methodist pastor of two large parishes.

Professor Jovett's comments on the young men of Balliol, Oxford, often took the form of crushing sarcasms. "The college, Mr. N., thinks highly of you," he once said; "perhaps too highly; but not half so highly, I am sure, as you think of yourself."

China is buying lumber from British Columbia. It is largely needed for railway construction. American lumber is shipped to Shanghai. On one day of his recent visit four full cargoes of Oregon pine arrived there, says the Canadian trade commissioner at Yokohama.

Miss Selma Lagerlof, besides being the most popular writer in Sweden, has just received an honorary degree from the University of Upsala. She is the first woman in Sweden to receive this distinction, and it is said to be only a matter of time when she will get the Nobel prize.

Mrs. Emma Barry, of San Francisco, has just returned from a trip to the Arctic Circle, during which it is asserted, she went farther north than any other white woman. She accompanied her husband prospecting for gold, and after she lays in certain supplies she will rejoin him in Alaska.

Mrs. G. Meyer is responsible for the monument that has just been erected at Port Elizabeth, South Africa, to the memory of the horses that died during the Boer war. It cost upward of \$5,000, and is in the shape of a stone watering trough, on the top of which is the figure of a bronze cavalrman giving a drink to his horse.

The State of North Carolina is one of the most notable in the Union for the production of gems, particularly diamonds, emeralds, rubies, aquamarines, beryls, hiddenite, rhodolite, amethysts and remarkable rock crystals. These gems have been found mainly in the course of mining operations, although a few systematic searches for them have been made and two companies are now engaged exclusively in such work.

A British Lieutenant in the Second Battalion Lincolnshire Regiment, who was lately called "Leo Quintus Tollmach-Tollmache de Orellana Plantagenet Tollmache-Tollmache," gave notice a short time ago by means of advertisement that he has renounced the names of Quintus Tollmache-Tollmache Plantagenet Tollmache, and intends henceforth upon all occasions and at all times to sign and use and be called and known by the name of Leo de Orellana Tollmache only.

Count von Zeppelin, the aeronaut, was born in 1838, and devoted what are for most men the best years of life to military service. Retiring in 1880 with the rank of general, he turned with a boyish enthusiasm to the pursuit of his hobby, aerial navigation. To the solution of the problem which had baffled the investigators of two centuries he sacrificed his fortune, with little apparent progress toward the goal. Poverty spurred him to greater exertion. In 1892 he made a successful balloon journey from Berne to Lucerne, but his work was lightly esteemed until 1900, when the surprising success of the first dirigible caused a genuine sensation. Since that time his progress has been easier.

As long ago as 1795 a Leipzig house, published a German novel illustrated by something closely resembling a Roentgen picture. The story tells of the Countess Abillina, who gave her heart to the knight Gibello. The knightly lover was thoughtless enough to kill his lady love's father, her affection turned to hatred, she vowed to kill him. In a dream she saw the man who had fascinated her, and she stood, ready to slay him, when suddenly the form changed, and before her stood a grinning skeleton saying, "I have already been punished." This scene is illustrated in the old book, and the picture is not unlike a Roentgen photograph. When it was published no one probably would have believed that science within a comparatively short time would make it possible to produce this picture, which the author's imagination invented.

JANDY NOT BAD FOR TEETH.

A Dentist on Development and Maintenance of Good Teeth.

In his lecture at the Harvard Medical School, Dr. Charles A. Brackett made it plain that eating confectionery is not particularly conducive to decay. He said that the evil of candy eating on the teeth is much exaggerated, a reasonable amount of sugar being needed in the system for production of heat, especially in cold weather and for hard working people. He commended the action of Queen Victoria in sending large quantities of chocolate to her soldiers in remote places, thereby affording them an element of diet that they needed.

That the teeth that last the longest are necessarily harder than those that decay soonest, he said, does not necessarily follow, and the reverse is often true, the real reason for decay of the teeth being acids in the mouth caused by debris of food that may rest there and become fermented by the micro-organisms that are always in the mouth.

Acids thus created, he said, disintegrate lime salts, and they attack and cause the hardest teeth to decay, if they can but find entrance to the body of the tooth, by means of some natural fissure in the enamel, which is often found in teeth of the very best quality. Hence, he argued, the only sure prevention of decay is the most perfect cleanliness of the mouth, particularly at night, when the opportunity for the microbes to carry on their disintegrating work is much longer than between meals in the daytime.

Dr. Brackett commended an idea of a Philadelphia dentist who takes a contract to preserve the teeth of his patients, charging them a nominal sum to keep their teeth clean by means of a monthly scouring with pumice. So salutary is that simple treatment in their preservation that he voluntarily engages to repair without extra charge any evidences of decay that appear from time to time during his care of the teeth.—Boston Transcript.

Legal Information

In an action for mental suffering caused by the nondelivery of a telegraph message, the law of the place which the contract was made, and in which a part of it was performed, was held to govern. In the case of Johnson vs. W. U. Tel. Co. (Sup. Ct. N. Car.), 57 Southeastern Reporter, 122.

No injunction will lie to restrain the transfer of property of one church to another, where they have formed a union. In the case of Mack vs. Kline, 58 Southeastern Reporter, 184, the Georgia Supreme Court held that, although property rights were involved, they rested upon questions of faith and religious tenets, a decision of which by the highest ecclesiastical tribunal would be held to be conclusive.

The liability of bank officers assigning notes to the bank in lieu of bad debts was considered in State Bank of Pittsburg vs. Kirk, 65 Atlantic Reporter, 932. The bank became insolvent, and the receiver brought an action to recover on the notes. Defendant set up, among other defenses, want of consideration, but the Pennsylvania Supreme Court held that defendant could not now escape liability on the ground that there was no consideration for the notes at their inception.

That ever recurring question, whether recovery may be had under an insurance policy for deaths by suicide, was again adjudicated upon in Davis vs. Supreme Council Royal Arcanum, 81 Northeastern Reporter, 294. Plaintiff contended that insured could not derive the beneficiary of his rights by misconduct after the issuance of the policy, but the Massachusetts Supreme Court held that the original contract impliedly excepted suicide as a cause of loss, notwithstanding no mention of it was made in the certificate.

In Sopher vs. State, 81 Northeastern Reporter, 913, the trial court held that a liquor license under the Indiana License Law did not authorize the sale of intoxicating liquors for the reason that the State license law was unconstitutional, such traffic being dangerous and hurtful to society. The Indiana Supreme Court reversed this decision, holding that under the common law any person had a right, without license, to sell intoxicants, and that it was a means of livelihood which any one was free to follow.

Random Knowledge.

To substitute acquired common sense, knowledge and reflection for the cruder and tardier processes of learning by hard personal experiences and mistakes, is, of course, the object of all education. In "From Salt to Steam" Capt. A. T. Mahan says that a student reciting, and confronted suddenly with some question or step in a demonstration, which he has failed to master, or upon which he has not reflected, is apt to feel that the practical thing to do is not to admit ignorance; to trust to luck and answer at random.

Such a one, writes Capt. Mahan, explaining a drawing of a bridge to my father, an instructor for many years at West Point, was asked by him what was represented by certain lines, showing the up-stream part of a pier. Not knowing, he replied:

"That is a hole to catch the ice in."

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Bottled Cake.

One cup sugar, one cup water, one-half cup butter, half a package of seeded raisins, one teaspoonful each of cloves, cinnamon and soda. Put all on the stove and let come to a boil. Remove from the fire the minute it begins to boil and set aside to cool, then stir in just enough flour to make a thin batter and bake in a loaf in a slow oven one hour.

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An attempt is making in New York to limit the height of buildings in that city to three hundred and fifty feet. It is urged that the higher buildings, those of five or six hundred feet, are a menace to the health of the people as well as dangerous in case of fire. In Boston and in Washington a much lower limit has been established by law.

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Apple Desert.

Bake two layers of cake of two eggs, one-quarter cup of butter, one-half cup sugar, one-quarter cup milk, one teaspoon baking powder, sifted with enough flour to make a thin batter, flavor with vanilla. Put some stewed apples between the layers and some on top, covered with whipped cream; garnish with stewed prunes; let stand for two hours before serving.

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OUR GREATEST NEED

Wrangell has indeed been fortunate in coming through the long dry period without a bad fire. The extreme dryness of everything combustible, and the prevalence of high winds furnished the best kind of conditions for a fire that would sweep the town to the ground. Add to this the scarcity of water, and the glaring fact that the town's fire apparatus is not adequate to cope with a big fire, and the Wrangell people may well shake hands with themselves in escaping from a destructive blaze.

During the dry spell through which we have just passed those who own burnable property were kept in a constant state of worry lest a flying spark should alight on some mossy roof and be fanned into a flame which it would have been impossible to extinguish. Had a fire started in the east end of town the strong northeast wind would have carried it westward, and the town would have been in ashes within a few hours.

Wrangell lies just about one mile from a supply of water sufficient for domestic and fire purposes, and it has been estimated that \$6,000 or \$8,000 would carry it into all parts of town; yet several hundred thousand dollars worth of property, buildings, stocks of goods and equipments lie at the mercy of the fire fiend. Is this not the very poorest kind of economy? We believe all will readily agree that it is. Would it not be cheaper to expend even \$10,000, without hope of return, and know that the town was safely provided against the spread of fire, together with the peace of mind that such an assurance would bring, than to be in constant terror of the fact that thirty or forty times that amount was apt to go up in smoke at any day or hour.

To carry fire insurance is impossible on account of the exorbitant rates. Suppose, for example, that the aggregate value of combustible property in Wrangell were \$200,000. To insure this property at 10 per cent, it would cost \$20,000 FOR ONE YEAR ONLY. If, on the other hand, the property owners of the town would subscribe ONLY FIVE PER CENT of the value of their property, \$10,000 would be realized. This amount would install such a system of waterworks as would insure the town against the spread of fire FOR ALL TIME, the rentals for domestic purposes keeping the system in repair, besides paying an occasional bit of interest on the outlay of capital.

Not only as a matter of protection against fire is a good system of waterworks a necessity, but also the health of the community should be considered. When Tom, Dick and Harry dip water from a common water-hole, stagnant at that, there is the eternal likelihood of filth and disease germs being communicated to that water-hole, and it is due to an act of providence that contagion has not claimed a greater tribute than it has. With a system bringing pure fresh water into town, this danger will be minimized.

The water question has often arisen, and great enthusiasm displayed while the matter was up. But every time the matter has been broached, just as often has the bottom fallen out of the enthusiasm, and the subject allowed to drop, nothing having been done but talk, talk, talk.

Procrastination is the thief of time.

REUF IN THE TOILS

A sigh of genuine relief goes up from the thinking masses of the Pacific Coast at the news from San Francisco, that Abraham Reuf goes to the penitentiary for a term of fourteen years. This brief term does not measure at all with the sum of this man's iniquity, but it does compel the conclusion that justice is not dead in the Bay City. And it means, further, that there is a chance to duplicate, and triplicate the, virtuous judgment, time after time as he shall live through them. There is nothing by way of pity to mitigate the extremity of reprisals against this man; he was pitiless enough, God knows, in the long gamut of his offenses, to deaden any system of softness that may rise to check the conscientious enforcement of the limits against him; his family is amply provided for for all time to come, and the application of the Mosaic principle fits admirably here, and henceforth Abe Reuf has no kick coming, tho' it may take another sort of courage than that born of endless wealth to support him through the darkened years before him.

The long and foul history of his crimes against civic and social law has long since killed every vestige of compassion that might have been his, and his interminable, adroit and costly warfare in the courts has left him without standing in any tribunal; he was condemned utterly months and months ago, and the latest judgment is but confirmation of the pre-concept of his guilt; and the sentence, as far as it goes, finds instant and impersonal endorsement everywhere. Always with the reservation that fourteen years may not be the end of the chastening to be inflicted.

THE THEORY OF DEBT

Only the thousandth man in the thousand is free from debt. All the nine hundred and ninety-nine know the curse well, and to their sorrow.

The fallacy of debt as a road to wealth, which is part and parcel of the creed of the day, is being borne in upon the people and the revolution against it, when it does take shape, will come in a cataclysmal form that will disrupt and oust the present system of commerce and business completely, and set up a reversal that will stagger men back to the primitive simplicity of actual honesty and give them a fresh start from the bases of freedom and honor. As it is, we have outgrown the very impulse of honor; we have accustomed ourselves to the myriad shades and implications of the virtue, until the substance has dissolved in money-lust or money-lack, and we are posing for what we should be; only the exacting restrictions of commerce keeps us within bounds at all.

Debt is the supreme curse of the age. Every law and custom and habit has been wrought to its continuance and accumulation; every instinct trained to its cultivation; and the natural co-ordinate course of the evasion of debt has paralleled it exactly and made semi-criminals of people who, escaping the law, have ever to deal with their own concepts and consciences.

An exchange remarks that debt lies at the root of nine tenths of the forgeries, larcenies and thefts of the day. To it may be traced every defalcation or every dishonorable transaction of the hour. Its vast incubus rides triumphant over the more decent attributes and incentives of humanity. And humanity is baffled by the lure and weight of it, and will be until the slavery it imposes shall become so hateful as to arouse the people to a revolution that will be irresistible and final. We do not know what guise or course the revolt will take, but no man of intelligence who inquires

into and measures the range and power of debt as it exists today, will deny for an instant the certainty of its elimination some day. May the human tendency to honesty hasten the hour and remedy!

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

OF SAW MILL AND BOX FACTORY. PRIVATE SALE AND PUBLIC AUCTION.

UNDER and in pursuance to a certain order of sale made and entered in the matter of the copartnership Estate of Willson & Sylvester, a copartnership, dated November 28th, 1908, and which is now on file in the Probate Court of the District of Wrangell, in the District of Alaska, Division No. 1, in the office of the Commissioner of said precinct, A. V. R. Snyder, Esq., the undersigned representatives of said copartnership estate will sell and finally dispose of all of the property belonging to said partnership estate, and constituting the assets of the late firm of Willson & Sylvester. Said property is fully and particularly designated and described in said order of sale of November 28th, 1908, to which reference is hereby made, and is situated at the Town of Wrangell, Alaska, subject to inspection by all purchasers or other parties interested, and consists of a sawmill and box factory, known as the Wrangell mill, and other assets of said copartnership estate. Said property will be offered in parcels, as hereinafter designated, at certain upset prices, the representatives receiving bids or offers for said property in such offered parcels, up to the day when the same will be sold at public auction, to wit:

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1909.
at Wrangell, Alaska

All offers for private sale, or bids at public auction, must be accompanied by current funds to the amount of ten per cent of the price bid, all sales to be for cash, subject to confirmation by said Probate Court. The undersigned reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

PARCEL ONE

The sawmill property, containing the land and premises, particularly described in said order of sale, upon which the Wrangell mill and box factory is situated, together with the store, office building, blacksmith shop, boarding house, residence, barn, outhouses, buildings and structures, dry kiln, and other appurtenances used in the conduct of said business, said sawmill and box factory being equipped with saws and machinery used for the conduct of said business; boilers, engines and appliances used therein; the wharves, lumber sheds, platforms and other appurtenances connected therewith; and also the Wrangell mill log boom lying adjacent and contiguous to the above mentioned premises, and being particularly bounded and described in said order of sale, and also that certain water right, easements and servitudes, together with the dam, damsite, the land used and occupied therefor, pipes, pipe lines and appliances, and the water right for the supply of water and power to said Wrangell mill, which water right is located on Mill Creek.

Bids will be received for the property embraced within said parcel up to twenty thousand dollars or upwards.

PARCEL TWO

One million five hundred thousand feet, more or less, of lumber, rough and dressed, of marketable dimensions, now stored at said Wrangell mill, and on the wharves, docks, yards, sheds and premises.

Bids will be received for the property described in parcel two at sixteen thousand dollars or upwards.

PARCEL THREE

Seven hundred thousand feet, more or less, of saw logs, situated in the boom and on the premises of said Wrangell mill.

Bids will be received for parcel three in the sum of forty-five hundred and fifty dollars or upwards.

PARCEL FOUR

That certain steamer called and known as the "Alaska", of forty-three gross tons burden, the official number of which is 106338, with her life boat, apparel and furniture, and also that certain lumber barge or scow, known as the "Garnet", with the capacity of one hundred twenty thousand feet of lumber, together with her anchors, log chain, chains and equipments.

Bids will be received for parcel four in the sum of four thousand dollars or upwards.

PARCEL FIVE

That certain lot and parcel of land in said Town of Wrangell, together with the building thereon situated, known as the drug store building.

Bids will be received for parcel five in the sum of two hundred fifty dollars or upwards.

PARCEL SIX

That certain lot or parcel of land situated in the Town of Wrangell, and the building thereon known as the cow barn.

Bids will be received for parcel six in the sum of fifty dollars or upwards.

PARCEL SEVEN

That certain lot or parcel of land situated in the Town of Wrangell, and the building thereon known as the "Skookum" House.

Bids will be received for parcel seven in the sum of fifty dollars or upwards.

PARCEL EIGHT

That certain lot or parcel of land situated in the town of Wrangell, together with the dwelling house thereon, now occupied by Mrs. Mary A. Willson as residence.

Bids will be received for parcel eight in the sum of three hundred dollars or upwards.

PARCEL NINE

All outstanding and uncollected book accounts, shown by the books of the late firm of Willson & Sylvester.

Bids will be received, and letters of inquiry may be addressed to either of the undersigned at their respective postoffice address, or in care of the Wrangell mill, Wrangell, Alaska.

MARY A. WILLSON, Administrator
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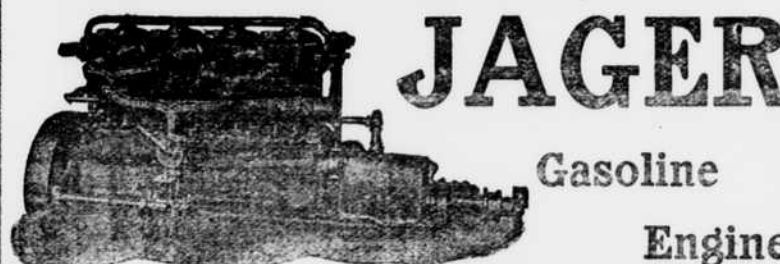
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